

Liquor-Law Reform.

ADDRESS TO THE PEOPLE OF VIRGINIA.

(Continued.)

Many of you remember the shudder that thrilled through our State when, by the burning of the Richmond Theatre, in 1811, seventy Virginians perished. Among them were the brave, the accomplished, the fair, and the lovely. A cry of mourning echoed along our streets, and woods, and hills. Suppose it had been then proposed to re-build the Theatre; and it had been certain, or nearly so, that another such catastrophe with all its deaths and horrors, would ensue in every following year! Would not the Legislature have been forced, by a resistless Public Opinion, to forbid the re-erection? Yes—and under penalties that would have made the prohibition most effectual! Why, without any anticipation of another such fire, and without any legal prohibition, the mere awe which that tragedy imprinted on the public mind prevented the appearance of a new Theatre in Richmond for nearly nine years! Now, You cannot doubt, that among the twenty-times seventy annual Virginian victims to the Liquor Traffic, there are more than seventy as much to be mourned for, as the victims of that burning Theatre were. Remember how commonly the demon of Strong Drink makes the best men his prey—then consider how many of those annual victims have been the loved and honored centres of circles, humble or exalted, where true and loving hearts rested upon them through long years, even after subjection to their enemy had begun; and, as that subjection grew from month to month more absolute, while the man was becoming a brute, how much misery he inflicted upon those loving hearts in his mad hours, and upon himself in the dreadful collapses of his half-sober intervals!—and consider, that those lingering years of loathsome, peace-destroying life, were closed by a death compared with which any sudden death is enviable! And then say, if the Liquor Traffic does not every year repeat, with enormous aggravations, the catastrophe of that Richmond Theatre!

You, People of Virginia, by one word, can put an end to the annual repetition of that aggravated, and heart-rending tragedy! Will you not speak that word?

In relation to the duty of Government, and how this duty has been recognized by the law-making power of Virginia, the address says:

It is the great duty of Society, to protect itself and its people against wrong and evil; whether coming by violence, or fraud, or pernicious and corrupting allurements. This is a chief end—nay, it is the End—for which Society and Governments are formed. Society, or the State, through its Legislature, should protect its citizens against whatever threatens their lives, property, morals, peace, or happiness. No sane man ever deemed such a protecting law "invasive of individual right, or freedom;" because no sane man ever deemed Freedom to be the right of doing mischief with impunity.

Your Code teems with instances of such legislation: forbidding practices of which none, nor all put together, are a thousandth part so destructive to health, property, morals, peace, happiness, and life, as the Liquor Traffic is.

An amiable and excellent Lawyer—a husband and a father—in 1809, was killed in a duel. Our Legislature immediately passed the stringent law, not only declaring it murder to kill in a duel, but making whoever should send, accept, or carry a challenge, incapable of holding office; and requiring from every man elected to any office, an oath that he had not violated that law, and would not violate it while he should hold the office.

I affirm without hazard of just contradiction, that for every Virginian as much loved and respectable as that Lawyer, who has fallen in a duel, more than a thousand such have died of strong-drink, made and sold for lucre!

Again—in 1838, a young man having killed another with a pocket pistol, in a conflict which the slayer had sought and was prepared for—though a jury acquitted him; your excited Legislature forbade any person, under severe penalties, to keep or carry about him a pistol, dirk, or other such weapon, hidden from common observation. Because he might, perhaps, in a passion, shoot or stab somebody. It may be doubted if the practice of carrying concealed weapons has caused, in this Commonwealth, since its foundation, five, or even three deaths per annum.

(To be Continued.)

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

Between 12, M., yesterday, and 12, M., to-day.

Saturday, April 2d.
Steamer Lamartine, - - - - - down.
" Golden Era, - - - - - " "
" Kate Kearney, - - - - - up.
" Granite State, - - - - - up.

LIBRARY NOTICE.

A Meeting of the Stockholders of the Hannibal Library Institute, will be held on TUESDAY Evening, April 5th, at early candle light, at the Office of Dr. D. T. Morton.
Important business will be presented and all interested are invited to attend.
(mch-23-d-1d)

A gentleman from Hannibal, who arrived here on Friday evening last with a load of fine fresh fish for sale, and not disposing of them all before night, left the balance in his wagon on the street, as he thought secure over night. But lo! and behold! on examination in the morning he found that some 200 pounds of his fishes had taken the wings of the night and flown to parts unknown. We cannot think that our town affords a white man mean enough to engage in so contemptible a little business as to steal fish from one who had hauled them forty miles and offered them for sale on the most reasonable terms—and none but the meanest sort of a negro would be guilty of so mean a trick. We hope it will not deter our "fish man" from making visits to this place in future. We are always glad to see him, as he brings good fish and sells them reasonable—besides, he appears to be the "right sort of a man."—Paris Mercury.

Marshal Haynau died at Vienna on the 14th of March.

ARRIVALS AT THE PRINCIPAL HOTELS.

Between 12, M., yesterday, and 12, M., to-day.

CITY HOTEL.
Miss Ann E. Atwood, St. Louis; Dr. J. C. Woodson, Ralls Co.; Wm. H. Dulany, Paris; Geo. Schroter, City; James M. Bates, Marion Co.; Thos. R. L. Thrasher, wife and mother, Ky.; Major Jno. T. Arthur, R. R.; Edward Wait, City; B. M. Donally, Ralls Co.; Major Wm. McDaniel, California; F. Blatchford, Marion Co.; Richard Drain, do; Miss Mariah Drain, do; Joseph Inskip and lady, do; Mrs. Jno. Mathew, do; Jno. Samples, Canton, Mo.; Dana F. Breed, City; J. C. Richmond, do; Jas. A. Foreman, do.

BRADY HOUSE.

Mr. Giddens and Son, St. Louis; A. B. Smock, lady, child and servant, Paris Mo.; J. Gentry, Prairie; J. Parkes, do; Mr. Parker, Cincinnati; Mrs. Logan and Miss Logan, St. Charles.

PROPOSALS will be received at the Office of the Secretary of the St. Louis Stove Store, (which office is at the house of Mr. Thomas Hill, Kinderhook, Illinois) and also at the office of the Treasurer of said Company at Hannibal, Missouri, until Saturday, the 11th of April next, for the cutting and hauling of a sufficient quantity of Pin-Oak Logs eight feet and six inches long, to make two miles of Pin-Oak Road from the Hannibal ferry to the city.

Also at the same time and place, will be received Proposals for the sawing of said logs two inches and a half thick. Cash will be paid as the work progresses, reserving twenty per cent. until the work is finished according to Contract.
Bids for the Cutting and Hauling of the Logs must be separate from the Sawing.
By order of the Board, LEWIS HULL, Secretary.
Pike County, March 31st, 1853. mch31d

RAILROAD DEPOT LOCATED!

It is not yet determined where.

But C. W. BRYAN wants \$10,000 in Gold.

At the St. Louis Stove Store, for which he will give in exchange,

Filley's Celebrated Charter Oak and Pioneer Cook Stoves,

At the Lowest Cash Price.

St. Louis Stove Store, Main Street, two doors North of the Brady House. C. W. BRYAN.
(mch22-d-w6m)

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

HANNIBAL AND ST. JOSEPH RAILROAD.
SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at the office of the undersigned in the city of Hannibal, Missouri, until the Twentieth day of April, for the graduation, masonry, and bridging of twenty-five miles of said road, extending West from Hannibal. Proposals will also be received at our office in the city of St. Joseph, Missouri, until the tenth day of May, for the graduation, masonry and bridging of twenty-five miles additional extending east from St. Joseph. The remainder of the line, extending a distance of over one hundred and fifty miles will be placed under contract as soon as the same can be prepared by the engineers. This line embraces some very heavy excavations and embankments and several large bridges.

Plans, profiles and specifications will be ready at each place one week previous to the letting.

DUFF & LEARNED,
Contractors H. and St. J. R. R.
Hannibal, Mo., March 14, 1853. [mch16 dwta20]

JOHN S. THOMSON,

WHOLESALE GROCER.

Nos. 30 and 32 Second street, near Post Office, 1853. St. Louis, Mo. 1853.
HAS in store and in receipt of the following desirable stock of Groceries, which is offered at the lowest market rate for prompt pay:

600 lbs N. O. and city sugar, 300 lbs city do, 200 lbs loaf, and crushed sugar,
1500 bags Rio coffee, 400 bags Laguayra coffee, 200 pockets brown Java coffee, 50 lbs Jamaica do, 300 lbs N. O. molasses, 600 do city and La. S. H. do, 200 half bbls city and La. S. H. molasses, 800 chests h't and black teas, 400 bxs do do, 100 pks golden syrup, 500 bxs Va. and Mo. tobacco, 300 bxs cut smok'g tobacco, 100 do cut chewing do, 100 bxs yellow bank do, 25 do Spanish smok'g do, 100 jars Macaboy snuff, 2 bbls Scotch do, 50 M regalia cigars, 20 M principle do, 50 M Havana do, 300 boxes meles do, 200 boxes Cuba and Havana sixes do, 1000 pkgs M. R. raisins, 3000 drums Elme figs, 150 casks Zante currants, 50 fruits dates, 50 casks prunes, 50 cases do, in glass, 100 bbls S. S. almonds, 25 do H. S. do, 25 do almonds, 25 bbls English walnuts, 25 do cream nuts, 4000 kegs nails, 4 to 6d, 500 do blue 2 and 3d nails, 100 do finishing do, 6, 8 and 10, 100 do wrought do, do, 75 do spikes, 4 to 7 in, 150 bxs tacks, 4 to 14 oz, 500 bags cotton yarn, 200 do dozen do, 150 bags white carpet warp, 100 do cold do, do,

\$100 Reward.

BROKE JAIL, at New London, last night, the 18th inst., TWO MEN, one by the name of David Morgan, 45 or 50 years of age, about 5 feet, 9 or 10 inches high, heavy made, had on grey blanket overcoat, pantaloons of same color, also a pair of black pants; low crowned, black hat, fair complexion, hair quite thin on the top of the head, heavy whiskers, the other, Geo. Clark, alias White, about 5 feet 10 or 11 inches high, has a black speck on the white of one of his eyes. They had with them a double-barrelled shot gun and a single barrelled shot gun. I will pay the above reward for the apprehension and delivery of the above named persons at New London, Ralls county, Mo. SAMUEL SMITH, Sheriff of Ralls county.
March 19th, 1853-dtf

PIANO FORTE MUSIC!!!

THE undersigned has just received an assortment of PIANO FORTE MUSIC, and can furnish any pieces that may be desired. WM. COHEN.
West side of Main, between Bird and Hill.
(mch16-d2w)

JUST RECEIVED,

And for sale at the "Lone Building" corner of Main and Bird streets.

ALL KINDS OF GARDEN SEEDS—Onion sets; Blue grass and timothy seeds; Clover seed by the barrel or bushel. A general assortment of Groceries, Wooden and Willow Ware, Brooms, Cotton Yarns; Cotton batting. All kinds of Nuts, Oranges, Lemons, Figs, and a host of articles not mentioned here; Likewise, a thousand things that is not here for sale. Anxious to sell all for CASH UP AND THE MONEY DOWN. Like to forget one thing, the Eagle Mills flour is here too! mar15dtf T. JACKSON.

Jewelry.

JUST received, a large stock of Jewelry, at the CITY JEWELRY STORE. Purchasers will do well to call and examine before purchasing elsewhere. [mch16-d2w] WM. COHEN.

BRADY HOUSE.

CAPT. A. S. ROBARDS, formerly of the State of Kentucky, having taken the Brady House in the City of Hannibal, Mo., for a term of years, would respectfully solicit a liberal share of Public patronage. He would not make any extraordinary promises, but he wishes so to conduct the House, as to make it deserve the patronage which he hopes it will receive. Having a general acquaintance through this and the adjoining States, he will take pleasure in communicating such information to travelers as they may desire; Hannibal being the point of embarkation, for a large portion of the travel to and from the country bordering on the Missouri River.

He will at all times be prepared to accommodate the travelers with horses, carriages and wagons, &c., as means of conveyance to any distant point.
April 7th, 1852. mch21dtf

Flour! Flour! Flour!

Arrena Mill.

FARMERS AND MERCHANTS coming to Hannibal with the intention of selling wheat and buying flour, would do well to call and see us before selling or purchasing elsewhere. Remember the big stone Mill on Bird, between Main and Third streets. Give us a call. A. S. ROBARDS & SON.

N. B. Our Flour is sold nowhere else but at the Mill. Every sack and barrel is branded with our name on it. mch21dtf "A. S. ROBARDS & SON."

Cheapest and Best Writing Ink.

L. T. BRITTINGHAM & BRO. are now manufacturing Black Writing Ink of a superior quality, which they sell very cheap—thirty cents a dozen cones, or five cents a pint. Steel pens may be left standing in this ink any length of time without corroding.

P. S.—At wholesale, they will sell it at \$10 a barrel. [mch-23-d-tf]

2,000 POUNDS OF OLD COPPER Wanted For which the highest price will be paid in cash, at the "St. Louis Stove Store." mch14dtf C. W. BRYAN.

New Boot and Shoe Manufactory!

THE UNDERSIGNED takes this method of informing his old customers, friends and the public generally, that I have again commenced the manufacture of Boots and Shoes of the very best material. Persons wishing articles in my line will do well to give me a call, before purchasing elsewhere, as my stock is well selected, comprising the best article of French and American calf skins, ditto kip, ditto upper, all of which I will make to order at the shortest notice.

Shop on Hill street, a few doors east of Selmes' Store. RICHARD FITZPATRICK.

P. S.—I will keep constantly on hand an assortment of fine calf boots, kip boots; also, coarse boots and shoes, which I will warrant to be of the very best quality. [mch16-d1mwtf] R. F.

AUCTION! AUCTION!!

At ten O'Clock next Saturday Morning,

AT THE LATE RESIDENCE OF JUDGE COOKE,

Will be sold a

FINE LOT OF FURNITURE.

CONSISTING OF Beds, Bedding, Bedsteads, Lounges, Mattresses, Carpets, Chairs, Tables, Bureaus, Fine Sofa also

PARLOR STOVES, KITCHEN STOVES, CHINA AND

EARTHENWARE;

And a lot of

Seasoned Lumber.

The above will be sold to the highest bidder for Cash in hand without reserve. A. CURTIS, Auctioneer, mch30-d.

AT THE

Philadelphia Clothing Store,

In Commercial Row,

IS A VERY SUPERIOR lot of Clothing, of latest styles, suitable for Spring and Summer wear. The prices are very low, and as the goods are all well selected, and of good material, purchasers cannot fail to be suited. We have Boots and Shoes, Hats and Caps, Carpet Bags, Ladies' Shoes, Pocket Handkerchiefs, Gloves, &c.—Chiefly Clothing, but a little of everything else.

I consider it no trouble to show goods, and would be pleased to wait on the people, and be their obedient, humble servant, so far as offering inducements for their patronage is concerned. B. CRANSTON, Agent. mch30 d2m

St. Louis Stove Store.

C. W. BRYAN,

Stove Dealer, Sheet-Iron Worker, Copper-smith, and Tinner,

Main Street, Two Doors North of "Brady House," HANNIBAL, MO.

Sells at Wholesale Prices, STOVES AND TINWARE. I invite particular attention to the PATENT PREMIUM COOK STOVE, which is a new and universal satisfaction to all who have used it. I warrant all my Stoves for twelve months, and if any of the plates break during that time, I furnish new ones free of charge.

As I design remaining permanently in this place, the public are safe in taking an inviolable guarantee for the good performance of the stoves kept by me.

All my stoves are manufactured of MISSOURI MOUNTAIN IRON, and for goodness of metal and beauty of casting, they excel any stoves made in the Western country.

The man who moulds Hollow-Ware for G. F. Filley is considered the best workman in the United States, and this accounts for our Hollow-Ware and Stove Vessels being so much smoother and better than any others you will find in market, whether made East or West.

I have constantly on hand, a supply of TINWARE, to which I particularly invite the attention of the country trade, as the quality of my ware, and the prices, shall be such as to induce them to call on me again.

READ THIS!—The introduction of FILLEY'S STOVES

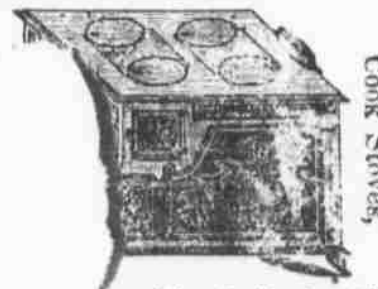
Into Northern Missouri, to any extent, has been in the last three years; since which time they have been gradually increasing the manufacture and sale of them; and although, owing to their being light and smooth, and something new, some little difficulty attended the sale and use at first, yet by always making Stoves and Castings of the best quality of Scotch Pig and Missouri Mountain Iron, they have proved to withstand fire better than any other Casting made in the Western country. The Furnace Castings and Hollow-Ware particularly, have been superseded by it, wherever it has been brought into use, and always given satisfaction. Having lived here a number of years, and being permanently located here, purchasers can rely on our guarantee as to the quality of the articles sold by us; and as to the operation of our celebrated Prize Premium Cook Stove, just read the certificates of those who have used them, and are using them now. And another advantage a purchaser will have in buying a St. Louis stove of us, he would not only be getting a stove made of the best material in the world, but he can at any time get an odd piece or plate without any charge, by letting us know that such is wanted, as all our stoves are warranted, and, in case of imperfection, the article will be promptly made good to the purchaser, which he will not find the case with Cincinnati, Chicago, Pittsburgh, and Eastern made STOVES, as you cannot get any odd Pieces. Even if they were warranted, it would be impossible to get odd plates from such a distance.

We, the undersigned, having used the St. Louis Stoves manufactured by G. F. Filley, of St. Louis, and sold by Carter W. Bryan, at Hannibal, Mo., take pleasure in recommending them to the public as superior in point of draft, durability, economy, convenience and ease of regulation, to any Stove which we have ever used:

John I. Ellet, George C. Foster, Dr. L. T. Brittingham, Charles W. Mills, Henry Uterback, Wm. Hawkins, A. Ingraham, Thomas Coverdall, R. Gunter, Jesse Wright, W. P. Kercheval, Wm. Logan, Israel Johnson, John Fagan, Washington Myers, B. Breeding, W. L. Lacy, J. B. Hayden, H. P. Gregory, Oliver Terrill, James Emison, E. Truett, T. Ballard, I. Tufts, L. Lyle, Daniel Ford, A. M. Hawkins, James Thompson, T. R. Selmes, John B. Chesley, Wm. Eddy, Cyrus Walters, T. R. Spencer, Geo. A. Shortridge, [Bloomington, Mo., J. C. Ogden, D. W. White, John McGeehan, Hiram Blanchard, Dr. N. Nelson, B. K. Bryan, John L. Mathews, W. R. Davis, J. Armstrong, Warren Finley, J. C. Henderson, Wm. Massey, A. Greenlee, John B. Lewis, Levi Barkley, E. Leonard, Hooper Mitchell, John Short, J. Mosely, Wm. Kidd, F. Franklin.

New Cook Stoves.

Persons wishing to buy stoves, should give us a call, and examine our new patterns of



Advantages of them for this city. This stove has many advantages over common stoves, in thickness of plate, and improvements in the draft. It is given up by all stove dealers and manufacturers, to be the best pattern for a descending flue, of any stove now made East or West.

This stove was patented September, 1852, and wherever they have been used, have given general satisfaction. This stove weighs some forty pounds more to the number than any other stove ever brought to this city. The plates in them are from one half to three-fourths of an inch in thickness. No. 1 weighs over 300 pounds. We warrant them all against fire. These stoves have a Patent Hot Air Flue, which carries the heat that is generated under the fire-plate down the front part of the stove, between two thick plates to the draft at the bottom of the stove, thereby adding great heat to bake with on the bottom, and remedying that which has always been a fault with stoves of a descending flue, herebefore. The Charter Oak has one flue and one plate more than any Air-Tight stove yet invented. They will cook with one-half the fuel which one of the ordinary stoves will, and will last for twenty-five years. mch14-d2m